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REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE.
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., Jan. 13, 1909.

Upon the application of Howard A. Pool, Administrator of Ella P. Cochran, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administrator aforesaid give notice of Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein ten times.

Given under the hand and seal of (SEAL) office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRANCIS M. WALKER, Register of Wills.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned on the Thirteenth day of January, A. D. 1909, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested to the said Administrator on or before the Thirteenth day of January 1910, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

HOWARD A. POOL,
Administrator.

Address, Howard A. Pool
MeDonaugh, Delaware.

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USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

The darkest stain on mirror or window pane can generally be routed with a flannel dipped in spirits of camphor. Rub until dry.

Camphor, either in the lump of the liquid form, is hated by mosquitoes and will keep them off when all other methods fail.

It is important in taking camphor internally to be sure that it agrees with you; the mildest dose is harmful to certain people, and occasionally a person is found whom it throws into unconsciousness.

If taken too steadily, even when there seems to be no injurious effect, it lowers the circulation and eventually weakens the heart.

A few drops of liquid camphor will often stop nausea, while setting fire to the lumps and inhaling the fumes sometimes works a similiar cure.

For cold sores a small phail of camphor should be carried in the pocket and rubbed on the lips at frequent intervals. If taken in time it will usually balk the blisters.

Warm borax water aplied to the scalp will remove dandruff.

Cold water makes the eyes look bright and keeps them strong.

Rice has a finer flavor if washed in hot water instead of cold before cooking.

No dressing stand is complete without half a lemon put there fresh every day.

A few drops of juice much diluted makes an agreeable mouth wash.

Rubbed over the face followed by an application of cold cream, it is a good bleach.

For the nails it is excellent and is used by thrusting the finger tips into the pulp. They should be washed at once and then lightly rubbed with cold cream.

The housewife who squanders all her odds and ends of soap should learn a lesson in thrift. She is reckless because these bits, no matter how small, can be utilized in a way that saves more pennies than one would think.

If you are one of those who are careless in this respect, mend your ways.

Gather together once a week all the ends of kitchen and laundry soap into one jar, and all the ends of toilet and household soap into another jar.

As most housewives use the same brand of soap year in and year out, there will not be much of a mixture. It will make no difference if there is, as the result will be much the same.

It might be just as well to label each jar in a clear manner. On one put "kitchen soap." On the other, "toilet soap."

When you have both jars full, go to work in some idle hour and shave these pieces of soap with a sharp old kitchen knife. Have two pans or bowls for the purpose, and when you are through with the soap pour into each pan two or three pints of boiling water.

Keep this water at the boiling point until every particle of the soap is dissolved, stir it with a clean wooden spoon and when it becomes soft and thick pour back into the jars while hot and cover each one.

Put them away to cool, and when this is done you will find that each jar is full of smooth, even, clear jelly.

This will keep for any amount of time. The kitchen jar is left in the pantry and the toilet jar is put in the bath room.

This soap is just as good to use as a cake of soap. Some women prefer it. For shampooing the hair it is far ahead of a lather.

A tablespoonful of it may be put into a bottle of boiling water with a little bay rum, if one likes the odor, then shaken into a thick froth and used on the head.

Half of the bottle is used at first to cleanse the scalp, and when this is rinsed off the other half is used to wash the the hair itself.

Clear hot water is used for rinsing, and the hair is as clean as though an expensive hair dresser had done the work.

Every hair follicle has oil glands which secrete and give oil to the hair. It is necessary to the health of the hair that these tiny glands do not become clogged. If the oil secretion is prevented the hair becomes dry and unhealthy.

If this is allowed to go and the hair is not cleansed as often as is necessary for its health there will form a scurf or dandruff caused by the corroding of the dust and dirt from the atmosphere and the secretion from the sweat glands.

Dandraff, which is commonly supposed to be a disease by those who suffer from this trouble, is not a disease. It is true that many persons who are particular about the care of the scalp and hair suffer with it, but it is then only the more necessary that cleansing is frequent.

Many have the tendency to shampoo the hair too often to prevent this dandruff from forming, and thus they take out all the oil from the head which is needed; so reduce the number of times of shampoo and massage the head every night.

If the scalp is rubbed briskly with the tips of the fingers, thus improving sluggish circulation and inaction it is an excellent means of preventing dandruff.

The frequency of shampooing must be by the character of the hair. Ordinarily every four weeks is often enough, but if it is inclined to be extra dry every six weeks is sufficient. The best shampoo for the hair is an egg. It acts as a tonic to the scalp and has excellent cleansing properties. The yolk contains natural food, iron and sulphur. It should be thoroughly massaged into the scalp with a rotary motion, beginning at the forehead and going back to the crown.

The long hair should be taken in the hands, well lathered and rubbed together until clean. It should be then rinsed with plenty of warm water, a spray being the best thing to use, then rinsed in cold water to cause reaction.

After the hair is thoroughly dry massage with the tips of fingers, and if the scalp inclines to dryness a little olive oil or vaseline may be rubbed in.

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TWO MEN DEAD AT FORT duPONT

They Drank Denatured Wood Alcohol and Died---Two More Are Ill

As a result of drinking denatured wood alcohol, two artillerymen, attached to the garrison at Fort duPont, are dead, and two others are dangerously ill, one of them not being expected to live.

Sergeant W. Alfred Graham, of the 45th Company, and Private Martin Berry, of the 139th Company, Coast Artillery Corps, are the dead men, and Private Samuel Albright and Private Albert Freeman, also of the 139th Company are in the post hospital, where the surgeon and the members of the Hospital Corps are using every known means to save their lives.

According to the statements of their comrades, on Saturday night Sergeant Graham was taken ill, and died in the Hospital of the fort on Sunday morning. Berry died Monday morning at 10.23 o'clock, and, it having been ascertained that the others had partaken of the poison, they were sent to the hospital for observation and treatment.

It appears that Berry obtained the denatured alcohol from Resident Machinist Peacock, stating that it was wanted for the purpose of thinning shellac. When the request was first made, Mr. Peacock, instead of giving the man the alcohol, made the mixture for him, thinning the shellac. Afterward, it is said that the man returned and stated that the mixture was too thick, and secured a pint bottle of the poison. Instead of using it for the purpose for which it had been obtained, the men drank it, with the result stated above.

It is said that Berry conveyed the last information of the death of Sergeant Graham to Colonel Williams, the commanding officer of the post, and also told his commanding officer the cause of the sergeant's death. It is supposed that after that he drank some of the poison, or that what he had already drank began to take effect, resulting in his death Monday morning.

SINGLE TEACHERS

DOVER, DEL., January 25th.—Notice of a bill having been given in the House of Representatives, providing taxation for bachelors, notice of a bill was given in the Senate, which is calculated to make old maids of women school teachers.

Senator Cliffen this morning gave notice of "an Act to prevent the issuing of certificates to teach to married women of the State."

Senator Iliffe later explained to a reporter that the bill has not been drawn, and he was not certain as to just what the provisions would be.

County Superintendent John D. Brooks, of Sussex county, is interested in the proposed bill, the purpose of which is to protect unmarried school marms.

Professor Brooks said his impression was that the bill would not apply to married women now teaching, but meant that, if passed, certificates would not be issued to married women in the future.

Some opposition was heard to such a measure soon after the notice was given by those who were of the impression that it would apply to married women now teaching.

KENT COUNTY ROADS

DOVER, DEL., January 25th.—There was a condition bordering on agitation in the House this afternoon when Representative Lafferty of Kent county, offered a resolution directing the members to walk to Leipsic, to Whitehall's School, to Raymond's Church, to Denney's Corner and back to Dover in order that the legislators might view some of Kent county's roads, as they are in midwinter.

The resolution was offered in a spirit of fun, but some at first took it seriously. Colonel A. L. Ainscow arose and very earnestly inquired as to the distance, but before the information was given, Speaker Cooper declared the resolution out of order, because in it Leipsic was classed as a city.

It is the impression that if the Assemblymen ever started on such a tramp that it would be necessary to send out a relief expedition, for the roads are in a deplorable condition.

CLERGY OPPOSE CHANGE

It was reported that Rev. Adam Stengle, superintendent of the Salisbury district of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, had received a letter from Bishop Luther B. Wilson, who has supervision over the Wilmington Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, making inquiry as to the feeling toward reducing the number of districts in the local conference from four to three, which would give each district about sixty charges. Mr. Stengle, it is said, took the matter up with other ministers and replied, expressing an adverse opinion.

The plan, it is understood, was to retain the Wilmington, Dover and Salisbary district, but to do away with the Easton district, dividing the territory among the others. The project does not appear to meet with favor and is likely to be abandoned.

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

Fewer failures is the business record for the peninsula comprising Delaware, Maryland and Virginia for the year 1908. According to the figures furnished by F. J. Williams, manager of R. G. Dun & Co., The Mercantile Agency, there have been twenty-nine fewer failures in this district in 1908 as compared with 1907, and the individuals and concerns who have gone to the wall during the year have had $552,664.10 less liabilities than was incurred by the defaults of last year. It is also of interest to note that the amount of assets involved in the failures of 1907.

As compared with the preceding year, Delaware had twenty-one fewer failures, with $537,640.57 less liabilities. Maryland had five fewer failures with $5,409.57 more liabilities, and Virginia three fewer failures with $20,434 less liabilities.

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

Professor E. B. Voorhees, of the New Jersey Experiment Station, has figured it out that a single well-fed cow will produce in a year 107 pounds of nitrogen, 87 pounds of phorphoric acid and about 87 pounds of potash. At this rate it is easy to see why dairy cows are such a powerful factor in increasing the fertility of the farm, when the manure is properly cared for.

During January and February heavy mulches of stables manure may be placed about perennial fruits and vegetables. The manure will act as a protection to the plants, some of its richness will soak into the soil and weathering will cause the manure to become mild, so that it may be safely used for any of the garden crops next spring. There is little danger of scattering too much manure in our gardens and orchards.

Dr. Salmon, of the Bureau of Animal Industry, lays down this rule for telling the health of the bird by its droppings.

The city health office of Nashville, Tenn., has completed a test to determine whether poultry drawn and packed in ice would last longer than poultry undrawn and carried under the same conditions. A half dozen drawn chickens and an equal number of chickens not drawn were placed on ice for some days, and then taken from the ice for examination. The result of the experiment showed that the poultry packed undrawn kept better, being in good condition, whereas the drawn poultry had deteriorated materially.

More than half the weight of manure stored all winter in an open barnyard consists of water, which must be lifted into the wagon, drawn over the soft roads and lifted out of the wagon again when it is spread upon the soil. If this manure had been drawn directly from the stalls when they were cleaned out, thrown into a wagon and carried to the fields, the weight would be only half as much, and only half the work when moving it.

According to the last census, there are 233,598,005 chickens of laying age in the United States. These are valued at $70,000,000, and the eggs they lay would, if divided, allow 203 eggs annually to every person—man, woman and child—in the United States. The value of all the fowls, $58,800,000, would entitle every person in the country to $1.12 if they were sold and the proceeds divided. All the weight of the animal products exported, the pork, beef, tallow, ham, bacon and sausage, weigh 846,860 tons, while the weight of eggs laid yearly tip the scales at 970,368 tons.

The largest cucumber ever raised in Berks county, Pa., is the product of the farm of William Hoffman, near Birdsboro, last year. It is 43 inches long and its greatest diameter is 3½ inches.

Extra large specimens of vegetables are all right for exhibition purposes, and to win prizes with, but they are not what the average customer wants and is willing to pay freight on. Quality, uniformity of size and smoothness are what the average man wants.

There is no age limit to a dairy cow's usefulness—at least no period that can be set down as a rule. It is more a matter of individuality. Barring accident, one dairy cow will be useful for two or three times the age of another one. One cow breaks down and ceases to be profitable when she is 7 or 8 years old, while another may last until she is 15 or 20 years old, and sometimes longer.

The milk of the Jersey cow is very rich and the cream rises more readily than from the milk of most other breeds. For this reason some milkmen do not like Jersey milk for long-distance shipping.

It is generally believed that the load pulls easier if put well forward on the wagon. But this is not so on the ordinary wagon, where the hind wheels are larger than the front ones. Should the wheels be equal in size, the load should be equally distributed. If the trucks are so low down that the horses have an upward pull on the load, then it would be all right to put the load well forward. The load should be proportioned to the surface contact of the wheels. A large wheel sinks less than a small one; therefore, the load should be heaviest on the hind wheels. Distribute the weight so that no one wheel or no one side is carrying the greater share, lest it make the draft excessive for the tonnage carried.

For a farm covering, good barnyard manure is much better than a mortgage; and judiciously applied the former will speedily remove the latter.

A mule may never be known to kick and yet around his heels is no place for small children.

See to it that your straw and clover stacks are not eaten from beneath, so the March winds will blow them over on the stock.

Throw the henhouse wide open for an hour or so on pleasant days, and give a thorough airing.

February is the beginning of the duck-laying season, but not before the latter end of the month. Young ducklings, well reared, are laying now, but there is not much profit in their eggs, as they are not suitable for hatching.

Heat is needed in the poultry house only when the ventilation is so bad that the air would be moist without the heat to compel the air to absorb it. But it is more reasonable properly to ventilate the poultry house and keep it dry in that way.

If there is any bad weather coming to us, it generally makes its appearance during February. The wise poultryman is the one who has already prepared for that emergency, and his hens are not only comfortable, but are laying eggs in large quantities.

The best way to warm poultry is by giving them something to do. So keep plenty of litter on the floor and scatter grain in it. Make it a rule to leave the laying hens to themselves during the fore part of the day. That is their busy time and they do not like to be disturbed then.

SENATOR duPONT IN WASHINGTON

"A Noted Member of the Millionaire Club," Says "The Spectator"

"The Spectator," in the *Washington Post*, Saturday printed the following article regarding Senator Henry A. duPont:

A noted member of the Millionaire Club, as the Upper House is sometimes called, is Senator duPont, of Delaware, who lives in a style befitting his great wealth, and with his daughter, Mrs. Crowninshield, at the head of his household, entertains constantly. Mrs. Crowninshield is as unlike her father, in appearance at least, as it is possible for father and daughter to be unlike, but there is the greatest sympathy between them, and she is one of the most petted and spoiled among the rich women of to day. In the house the Senator recently purchased from the Wilkins estate, and which has been remodeled to meet his needs, her apartments are sumptuous enough for an empress, and the closets or at least the suite of rooms for her elaborate wardrobe, are arranged on a plan that she herself sketched out, a plan so excellent that it could hardly be improved. There is a large apartment with a gallery, well lighted and well ventilated, and fitted with proper racks and hangers, dress forms, hat rests, and trees. Special spaces are alloted for the different varieties of costumes, the evening dresses together, the tailored suits by themselves, and so on. Then there are shelves for shoes and every possible convenience for the proper storing of the gear and accouterments of a fashionable woman of the day. There could be no finer receptacle for her outward splendor that has been prepared for this petted daughter of the Senator.

Senator duPont's proudest boast is that his great-grandfather was Pierre Samuel duPont de Nemours, that noted economist and statesman whose part in the French Revolution and the period that followed forms a thrilling and romantic story. Pierre duPont was born about the middle of the eighteenth century, and had scarcely passed his majority when he astonished the contemporary writers and thinkers by two monographs on finance, wherein was first set forth the doctrine of currency. These pamphlets were so masterly in style, so convincing, that they attracted the attention of the celebrated Quesny, a physician to Louis XV and a noted political economist and of Turgot, who sought out the young author and gave him both their protection and friendship. From this time duPont took a leading part in the political affairs of his country. He occupied various offices, was Turgot's chief secretary when that statesman was comptroller general, and, because of his vigilant opposition to the Jacobins, was finally marked for the guillotine, but escaped to the home of his friend, the astronomer Lalande, in the environs of Paris, and there, hidden away in his observatory, he wrote his "Philosophie de Punivers." He could not escape his blood-thirsty enemies and was ultimately imprieoned in La Force, from which the death of Robespierre liberated him. The first use he made of his liberty was to again oppose the Jacobins, and again he was captured, his house and property burned, and he threatened with transportation. This continued persecution at last broke his spirit, and at the age of sixty he turned his back on the country that he had fought and suffered for, and, with his children, sought an asylum in America, where he was warmly received, and where his advice and co-operation were invoked by the statesmen of that day. Mr. duPont's most important work for this country was his agency in bringing about the treaty by which Louisiana was sold to the United States.

Senator duPont's father was Henry duPont, his grandfather Eleuthere Irenee duPont, a son of the famous duPont de Nemours. Of the same family was Admiral Samuel duPont, of the United States navy. Admiral duPont will be remembered for the gallant service he did on the California coast, where he headed the boats that entered the harbor of Mazatlan when that fort was captured and where he brought about the capture of San Jose by his timely relief of Lieutenant Heywood and his marines, who were closely besieged there. In the Civil War his record, especially at its breaking out, was a meritorious one, and although his attack on Fort Sumter was unsuccessful, it was none the less gallant and warranted by the conditions. His treatises on the use of floating batteries for coast defense added much to his fame, and when all is considered he was one of the most valuable officers in the early navy.

While his uncle was fighting on sea Senator duPont, who had graduated at head of his class at West Point, was adding to the family fame on land through his service in the army from which he retired in 1875, having been breveted many times "for distinguished service," and having received the Congressional medal for "most distinguished gallantry and voluntary exposure to the enemy's fire at a critical moment."

It will be seen that the American duPonts have maintained the high standard and carried on the fine traditions of their French ancestor, and have been as patriotic in the service of their country as their distinguished ancestor was in his. Louise duPont, a daughter of the Senator, married into a family hardly less distinguished than her own. Her husband is Francis Crowninshield, son on Admiral and Mary Bradford Crowninshield, whose progenitor was Governor William Bradford, of whom Mrs. Crownishield is a direct descendant in the tenth generation. Mrs. Crowninshield is a talented and prolific writer, and is the author of a number of books that have been not only "good sellers," but possess real literary merit.

As a medicine it is invaluable if used judiciously. If six or ten drops are taken on a lump of sugar when sneezing starts, a bad cold in the head can often be checked. This dose should not be repeated closer than an hour apart.

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 24th, 1909.

THE Prohibition wave which is sweeping the country skipped the National Capital this week when the Committee of the lower House of Congress disposed of prohibition in the District of Columbia by tabling the bill introduced for that purpose. The liquor question has been very thoroughly gone over in Congress, and while there are many members of that body who believe that temperance is a good thing for their home towns and states there were many dissenting voices to the proposition to let our legislators go thirsty far the several months that Congress is in session here every year. When it was apparent that the District Committee was opposed to letting the Capital go dry the friends of prohibition expected a coup by proposing that the matter be left to the residents of Washington and that evasion was also voted down. Two members, Representatives Campbell of Kansas, and Sims of Tennessee, alone supported the bill to introduce absolute prohibition in Washington.

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The incident of the Governor of one of the greatest states in the Union continuing to draw his salary as a member of Congress and accepting checks for his full amount of stationery and clerk hire and making his requisition for mileage to and from a session which he has not attended is perhaps without a parallel in the history of that body. The gentleman with the iron clad nerve to attempt these things is Governor Lilley of Connecticut, who got himself into all temperatures of hot water last year by his so called investigations involving the Electric Boat Company but who won a vindication in his own state this fall by capturing the Governorship. Mr. Lilley succeeded in making so many enemies for himself in Congress that when the question came up a few days ago whether he was entitled to his Congressional pay and perquisites while he was filling the office of Governor not a dissenting voice raised to the proposition to oust him which was promptly and neatly done. The law makes it mandatory for the Governor to call a special session to fill a vacancy in the Congressional delegation but as there is no penalty attached Mr. Lilley will probably take his time before filling the seat which was so unceremoniously jerked from under him.

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The second White House reception of the season took place Thursday night when the Supreme Court Justices were the honored guests. These receptions are all so much alike that were a person introduced into the East Room during one of them he would have no way of judging in whose honor it was given except by observing the guests who were given precedence. There is always a struggle though for the invitations to the receptions in honor of the Diplomats and of the Judiciary for as these are the first two of the season they are most largely attended and one sees at them the greatest array of distinguished men and gorgeously arrayed women. However the President's strained relations with Congress may affect politics they do not seem to effect in any way his social relations with its members and there are only a few of those with whom he has come into direct conflict or whom he has assigned to the Ananias Club that absent themselves from his receptions and they're never missed in the great throng that crowds the White House on these occasions. The list of guests invited Thursday would fill seven ordinary newspaper columns of fine print and the line of carriages that had assembled before the doors were opened at nine o'clock extended for more than three city blocks. The additions which have been made to the White House since President Roosevelt has presided there have greatly improved the facility with which invited guests can enter its doors but it is an expression not soon to be forgotton when one for the first time, with a possible fancy that the President and Mrs. Roosevelt will be waiting just inside the door to receive him, finds himself in the great pushing crowd that is moving inch by inch through the corridor and up the stairs to the main floor of the executive mansion. The stairs are the particularly trying stage of the journey for it is often from thirty minutes to an hour that one must take to make that flight of about twenty steps. From side to side and end to end it is packed with people so close that one can move neither forward nor backward until the receiving party gives the signal for the Blue Room doors to be opened and the line begins to move through the rooms known as the Red Room and the banquet hall to the receiving party. At the door of the Blue Room the approaching guest is asked his name and this is mentioned to the President by his aid, Colonel Bromwell. The President generally repeats the name, grasps the visitor by the hand and with a deft movement passes him on down the line, or rather through the passage way made by the receiving party on one side and the especially honored guests who are grouped on the other side of a velvet rope. This progress is made usually in undignified haste by the person new to the performance. He has a vague recollection when it is over of the flash of the President's teeth, the set smile of Mrs. Roosevelt and a number of ladies in very decollete gowns. The next day he will read in the paper that all of the Cabinet ladies were present in the receiving line but in his embarasement and haste he has not seen them.

CHILDREN'S SAVINGS

Consul H. Abert Johnson, reporting from Liege, says that one of the elements contributing to the remarkable prosperity of Belgium and of the great majority of Belgian financial and industrial enterprises is undoubtedly to be found in their habits, as a people, of thrift and judicious economy. He traces the out-come of this trait as developed in the schools:

Some 40 years ago a movement was initiated to encourage these habits of economy in the children attending the public schools. As in the cast of most innovations of this nature, practical results tending to confirm the wisdom of such a movement were slow in coming to the front. The movement found among the corps of teachers many supporters, while on the other hand a large majority of the professors and teachers resolutely opposed it. By some it was asserted that the organization of such a service would prove to be a cause of disorder and a lack of discipline in the schools, others expressed doubts as to the efficacy of such a departure. However, after a time an agreement was reached and January 1, 1869, the communal council decided to put the plan in operation.

Liege at that epoch possessed some 20 primary schools. The total sum deposited by the scholars of 15 of these schools during this first year was $2589. Two years later the total amount deposited was reduced to $483 for 10 schools, and in 1874 only 9 schools out of 25 put into practice this system of saving on the part of the scholars, although during this year the total amount deposited reached $942.

Such meagre results, it must be admitted, were not encouraging, and held out scant hope for the ultimate success of the movement. Shortly after this the communal council again took up the question and after certain modifications had been agreed upon, these savings institutions seem to have been established on a more solid basis, and from that time up to the present they have continued to prosper in a highly satisfactory manner. The objections on the part of those opposing the movement seem to have been eventually overcome, so that the institution was then introduced into every school. In 1876 a philanthropic citizen of Liege donated 1000 francs ($193) to be used in the purchase of saving deposit books, to be distributed to children whose means were limited. Later he gave 2000 francs, the interest on which was to be given as a prize each year to the director or directoress of that school in which the greatest amount of zeal was shown on the part of the teaching body to encourage the idea of saving among children. In 1875 another Liege philanthropist gave 6000 francs, to be distributed during the period of twenty years to the most meritorious scholars of the primary schools who took advantage of the savings institution. These generous actions contributed in a large measure to the prosperity of the movement. To day, when the ideas of thrift have become such a part of the life of every nation, the desire to save and economize has taken a complete hold on the school children of this locality, and the teaching element has taken up the idea with enthusiam and is doing everything to further its development.

The figures given by the latest statistics conclusively show that the period of experiment has passed, and that the idea of an institution for school children's savings has become an integral part of the public school system of this locality. The total amounts deposited by the scholars of the Liege public schools at the beginning of the last scholastic year reached $55,158, to which may be added the $36,980 deposits made during the year, The interest paid by the Government savings banks on these deposits amounted to $1361. The amounts withdrawn by different pupils of the schools amounts only to $21,486. The the amount deposited by the school children at the end of last July reached $71,778.

Fretting About Ice

As the month of January is half gone and no ice has yet been cut the usual fear is being felt that an ice famine is in store for the people next summer. It is possible that the remainder of the month and the entire month of February may slip by without enough cold weather coming to make it possible to harvest a full crop. But the ice companies are not yet feeling very much alarmed. There have been years when the crop was not taken in until late in February, and there have been other years when it was harvested in December. Of course, the usual crop will probably be harvested on the ponds in this neighborhood. There is ice on them and it is growing thicker with each cold snap.

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POWER OF THE STATES

The United States Supreme Court has affirmed the decree of the Texas state courts imposing a fine of $1,623,000 on the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, of St. Louis, and ousting it from the state for infraction of the Texas anti-trust law. This decision strengthens the expectation that no legal sophistry will evade obedience of the recent decree of the Missouri Supreme Court that the Standard Oil Company and one of its subsidiary concerns must leave the state by March 1st, and that the Waters-Pierce Company if it wishes to do business in its parent state, must purge itself by reorganizing in conformity with the Missouri anti-trust law.

The Federal Supreme Court in the New York gas case and in the still more emphatic Knoxville water case decision, has affirmed the power of the states to regulate public-service corporations. In the Texas case it affirms their power to curb and punish trading monopolies. Not without reason did Governor Harmon of Ohio, say in his recent inaugural address: "The state government . . . has absolute control of all corporations of its own creation, and of the terms on which corporations of other states may do business here."

A handsome $250,000 State House for Delaware would be a magnificent undertaking and would help beautify Dover, but wouldn't it be eminently more fitting to put this $250,000 in permanent roads. The present State House, while not so pretentious, is adequate for all needs with the probable exception of the library, and since the Legislature only meets biennially the present quarters are as good as can be expected. We like to see good things and would take as much State pride in a modern and up-to-date Capitol building as anybody, but at the present time we would far rather see good and permanent roads throughout the State for the value it would be to farming industries and commercial interests in general. Let us have good roads. A handsome marble statehouse can come later.—*Smyrna Time.*

OLD-FASHIONED WINTERS

It is idle for the Weather Bureau to compile records of temperature and snowfall calculated to prove that within moderate limits of variation from year to year there is no change in climate. "Everybody" knows that the climate is changing. "Everybody" remembers when there was sleighing on Thanksgiving day, and, of course, that proves that there used to be two feet of snow on the ground from November till March or April. We know that doesn't happen now south of Maine, and there you have conclusive evidence that the winters are getting milder.

There is an old record of a winter about 1728 when there was very little snow and scarcely any ice. But people do not carry old records around with them; they just remember, and they can remember the snow they plowed through on their way to school much better than they can remember the bare ground they walked over without effort. The man whose boyhood was spent in Maine or Vermont, and who is now living in Maryland, or Pennsylvania or New York knows very well that there is no such snows nowadays as there used to be in the days when he lived on the farm. That is conclusive evidence that the climate is changing.

TRUSTEES OF THE POOR

At the monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Poor at Farnhurst, Wednesday, the report of Superintendent Foster showed the population of the almshouse to be 188 white males, 31 colored males, 48 white women, 15 colored women, 3 white children, 3 colored children; total, 288. Births during the month, 1. Deaths, December 31st, Michael Reagen, aged 70 years; January 5th, William H. Moore, colored, aged 43 years; January 15th, Henry Yearnes, colored, aged 48 years, all of Wilmington; January 3d, "Kid" Williams, colored, aged 33 years, of Dover. The latter was the prisoner taken to the institution suffering with gangrene, and who lived but a few days after entering. He was being held on the charge of selling whisky without a license.

What an Acre Will Yield

The possibilities of an acre of good ground are as follows: One acre of onions can be made to yield from 445 to 600 bushels; one acre sweet potatoes, 500 to 600 bushels; one acre of beets, 300 to 400 bushels; one acre of cabbage, 800 heads; and one acre of potatoes 100 to 300 bushels. Here are actuals results, each item referring to the product of an acre where the grower was a specialist: Asparagus, 30 bunches, 20 cents a bunch, $600; Cauliflor, 100 to 300 pounds, $450; Onions, 600 bushels, 75 cents, $450; Cabbage seed, 1000 pounds, 40 cents a pound, $400; Potatoes, 175 bushels, low estimate, $175; Cabbage, 7000 heads, $500.

FOR PURE CANNED GOODS

Tri-state Packers Meet in Wilmington; Decide to Ask Congress for Legislation

The Tri-state Packers' Association, comprising three-fourths of all the canners of Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey, held its annual meeting at the Clayton House, Wilmington, Thursday, and besides re-electing all of the officers, transacted business of importance. The greater part of the meeting was occupied in a discussion of the question of the establishing a standard of quality, in canned tomatoes especially, to the end that the annual convention of the National Canners' Association, at Louisville, Ky., February 1st to 6th will adopt a national uniform standard. Ex-Congressman Walter O. Hoffecker of Smyrna, who was re-elected president, appointed a committee to examine samples of tomatoes packed by members of the Tri-state Association and to formulate a standard. This committee, which will make its reports at a special meeting of the association next Thursday is composed of the following: E. C. White, chairman, Baltimore; Frederick R. Owens, Denton, Md.; H. B. Messenger, Federalsburg, Md.; E. E. Greenabaum, Seaford, Del.; J. S. Reynolds, Frederica, Del.; Robert S. Fogg, Salem, N. J.; and C. S. Stevens, Cedarville, N. J. The officers who were re-elected in addition to President Hoffecker are: Vice Presidents,—For Maryland, Charles T. Wright, Easton; for Delaware, E. E Greenabaum, Seaford; for New Jersey, Robert S. Fogg, Salem. Secretary and treasurer, C. M. Dashiel, Princess Anna, Md. The members of the executive committee were likewise re-elected. During the discussion President Hoffecker announced that following the meeting of the appointed body at Louisville he will appoint a committee from the Tri-state Association to go to Washington and endeavor to have Congress amend the Pure Food Law to the extent of empowering the Pure Food Commissioner to fix a stand of purity on all canned goods.

LEGISLATIVE RECORD

Brief Summary of the Doings of the General Assembly During Past Week

Both branches of the General Assembly got down to work in real earnest this week and considerable business has been transacted.

Although no bill has yet come up for final passage, several House bills have passed that branch and are now in the Senate.

The House passed the House bill increasing the penalty for carrying concealed a deadly weapon from the maximum fine of $100 to $200, and maximum imprisonment from 30 days to 6 months. This bill caused considerable discussion, as some thought that the penalty was severe enough.

There will be an observance of some kind on Lincoln's Birthday, February 12th, by the General Assembly, as a House concurrent resolution was adopted providing for such. A joint committee was appointed to arrange for a proper observance of the day, and the committee will arrange a program.

At the instance of Capital Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, of Dover, a movement was started in the legislature looking towards excluding gypsies from the state, the House receiving and referring to the committee on revenue and taxation a resolution adopted by the grange, petitioning the legislature to enact a law keeping these fortune tellers out of the state.

Members of the General Assembly will not attend the launching of the battleship Delaware at Newport News on February 6th, and they may not attend the inauguration of President-elect Taft on March 4th. The governor and staff will be present on both occasions, and the state militia will be sent to the inauguration.

Representative Soper has retained R. R. Kenney to draw for him the sweeping good roads bill which he proposes to introduce in the pursuance of the notice he has already given in the House. Several of the Republican members have already pledged their assistance in getting this measure through the legislature.

The House passed the House bill to refund about $6,000 in overpaid license fees paid by liquors dealers.

Anti-railroad bills have made their appearance before the legislature. One making employers liable for injury to or death of employes, regardless of any slight contributory negligence, has been placed in committee.

No-License Fight Resumed

While the temperance fight, so far as providing for a vote in rural New Castle county is concerned, appears to have been won, the petition for the vote having been signed by the requisite number of members in each house of the General Assembly, and the petition and bill having been started through the House, there are indications of breakers ahead, according to various rumors which are afloat, notwithstanding the fact the constitution makes it mandatory on the legislature to pass a bill providing for the taking of the vote in rural New Castle county at the next biennial election. The presence of this petition and bill has revived the whole subject and there is now talk of a state resubmission bill; or, if this cannot go through, of a Sussex county bill, which is desired by some of the license men. It is said that enough signatures can be obtained to a Sussex resubmission bill, if one is circulated, but so far as can be learned, no such petition is yet in evidence. The membership of the legislature, it is understood, is being sounded generally by license as well as no license men, and the liquor lobby is daily in evidence and as busy as can be, which is also true of the anti-license lobby, but no material move has yet been made by the license men, so far as an attempt at legislation is concerned.

Tax Commission Continued

By a divided vote, the House Tuesday passed the House bill providing for a continuation of the State Board of Revenue and Taxation, and the passage precipitated the first debate of the session. The present membership of the board is to be continued, and the vacancy caused by the death of Representative Paradee is to be filled by appointment by the Speaker of the House. In view of the fact that the bill does not state clearly whether it proposes a permanent commission or limits the life of the body to two years, Representatives Janvier and Brockson made inquiries as to its intent in this respect. Representative Connelly said it was intended to continue the commission only two years, and Speaker Cooper, a member of the present commission, vacated the chair and made a statement in which he pointed out the necessity for continuing the inquiry which has been begun, if not by the present commission, by a new one. He said the intent of the bill was to continue the present commission until the next session of the General Assembly.

Reform in Marriage Laws

"Affinities" will have a hard road to travel in Delaware if bills given notice of in the House by Representative William M. Connelly, of Wilmington, become laws. Bills given notice of by the Wilmington Assemblyman will provide for the repeal of all divorce laws and for a legal separation of mismated couples for certain good reasons. It will be the purpose of the bills to prohibit remarriage of persons legally separated except where separation is for one specific reason. Especially sweeping will be the provisions relative to "affinities," who alienate the affection of any married person, man or woman, for imprisonment will be provided for the penalty for such an offense.

Assembly man Connelly also announced that he will introduce a bill making an "unwritten law" for Delaware.

Notice of Bills

By Representative Bradford—To appropriate money to pay the expenses of the governor and his staff and the organized militia at the inauguration of President Taft.

By Mr. Hall—Appropriating money to pay the expenses of the Delaware official party at the launching of the battleship Delaware.

By Mr. Janvier—To create a new election district in New Castle Hundred.

By Senator Flinn—To incorporate the town of Elsmere.

By Mr. Connelly—To require the weekly payment of wages in this state; to abolish compulsory insurance, to do away with the practice of companies deducting from the wages of employes for insurance purposes; to require all lobbyists at the Delaware legislature to register in the office of the secretary of state, under a penalty of $1,000 fine.

By Mr. Hudson—To create a state Bureau of Forestry and to create the office of State Forester.

By Mr. Rawlins—To pay certain graded schools funds due them for the attendance of pupils from other districts.

By Mr. Marsh—Requiring wide tread tires on certain vehicles using public roads.

By Senator Drexler—To increase the quota of pupils for which the state appropriates money for graded schools.

By Mr. Bradford—To abolish the Delaware Game Protective Association and to create a State Game Warden at a salary of $1,000 a year, who shall have supervision of all game, fish and oysters.

By Mr. Brockson—Abolishing the law requiring sheriffs and constables to lay exemption in making levies.

By Mr. Grubb—Exempting undertakers from jury duty.

By Mr. Williamson—Making the appropriation to state traveling libraries from $700 to $1,500 a year.

By Mr. Lafferty—Protecting oysters in Leipsic river and Simon's creek, the object being to prevent them from being taken from these waters for planting purposes.

By Mr. Conner—To cure defects in the compulsory education law, transferring authority from superintendent to Boards of Education and making other minor changes, so as to make the law applicable to city as well as rural districts.

By Mr. Iliffe—Prohibiting issuing certificates to teach to married women.

The Senate read twice and referred to committee a joint resolution calling upon the Gettysburg National Commission to move the Delaware monument there to the actual position occupied by the troops from this state.

Senator Drexler's bill requiring all vehicles to carry lights at night was read twice and referred to committee.

Passed—House bill appropriating $970 to pay certain Kent county registration officers.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

Miss Esther Banks is visiting friends at Oxford, Pa.

Ernest Homewood, of Dover, was in town recently.

Mrs. C. C. Laws spent several days last week in Baltimore.

Miss Ethel Ellison spent Wednesday with Miss Ida Bouchelle.

John Moyer, of Philadelphia, visited J. Groome Steele Monday.

William Lowery, of Baltimore, is spending several days in town.

Miss Katharyn Hanson, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Dora Steele.

Capt. Z. T. Cooling was a recent visitor in Baltimore and Havre de Grace.

Misses Louise Boulden and Katharyn McDonald spent Sunday with Miss Mary Foard.

Rev. Mr. Taylor, of Princeton, held service in the Presbyterian Church Sunday.

The mid-year examinations are being held at the Chesapeake City schools this week.

Miss Nannie Sullivan, of Talbot County, has been the guest of Miss Pearl Jones.

The Sunshine Society met at the home of Mrs. Waitman Smithers Thursday evening.

The senior class of the Chesapeake City High School will go to Washington Thursday.

Mrs. Nathan Loveless and Mrs. Arthur Purner are spending several days in Philadelphia.

Mrs. M. E. Willis, Mrs. Harry W. Kibler, Mrs. Lea Elliott and son, Jack, were entertained at dinner Tuesday evening by Mrs. L. K. Barwick.

Mrs. George Houck and son are visiting at Downes Chapel, Del.

Mrs. Lea Elliott and son Jack, of Newark, were entertained by Mrs. H. W. Kibler last week.

After February the R. F. D. from the Chesapeake City postoffice will be lengthened about three miles.

Mrs. Sadie Verdier returned to Norfolk, Va., Thursday after a visit with her sister, Mrs. E. H. Banks.

The Daughters of the Confederacy celebrated Gen. Lee's birthday Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. W. C. Karsner. Appropriate selections were read by Mrs. M. E. Willis and Mrs. Bennett Steele, after which several southern songs were rendered. Refreshments were served. Those present were Mrs. Bennett Steele, Mrs. M. E. Willis, Mrs. G. S. Woolley, Mrs. Byron Bouchelle, Mrs. Annie Egee, Mrs. Waitman Smithers, Mrs. W. C. Karsner; Misses Florence Egee, Margaret Smack, Evelyn Kibler, Lionne Beaston and Elsie Karsner.

THE CHRISTENING OF THE DELAWARE

BY REV. J. R. MILLIGAN, D. D.

Our good ship Delaware, 'tis thee we greet,
And hail thee now, the choicest of the fleet;
To-day thou art our State and Nation's pride,
Our Navy's Queen, our newest Ironside.
Old Ironsides! Her's was thy real name,
Be thine her glory and her lasting fame.
"Old Ironsides" in very truth thou art,
Of the world's best battle-ships, the counterpart;
Facile princeps, the monarch of the sea,
Whose ensign is the emblem of the free,
Thou art the scourge of war, 'til war shall cease,
Then thou shalt be the arbiter of peace;
May this thy mission be, thy holy lot,
To keep the peace of nations, not with shot,
Or shell, or grimy guns that death proclaim,
But rather by the spell of thy great name.
Then Delaware, good ship, we christen thee—
With water, or with wine, which shall it be?
Thy noble prow, well formed to cut the brine,
For sparkling water thirsts me-thinks, not wine;
No groggy ship, for war unfit, shall bear
Thy honored name, most loyal Delaware.

Neath Cooch's Bridge historic, flows a stream,
Which marks our only battle-field; 'twould seem
A fitting thing, from this fam'd stream to dip
The water that should name our battleship;
For that the flag, which she shall proudly bear,
The stars and stripes, itself was christened there.

Thro all this land for truth and all that's right,
There runs a tenuous thread, the Ribbon White;
It speaks of woman's virtues, prayers and tears
Before whose conquering sway vice disappears,
This whiten cord, the silver thread of Fate,
Hath bound the woman-hood of this fair State.
As woman's hand shall serve in this baptism,
Let woman's voice appellant, choose the chrism;
And every mother, sister, wife and daughter,
In unison cry out: "Not Wine, but Water."
The sponsor fair of this New Ironside
Let be of all our woman hood, the pride,
And represent, 'gainst false, the true and good
Of Delaware's White Ribbon Sisterhood.
Then this great battle-ship, whose martial prow
Has kissed the hand of woman, sealed her vow,
Shall proudly sail our own and foreign seas,
Unfurl her starry flag to every breeze,
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To lead to conquest, and to bar defeat.

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NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS OF St. Georges Hundred!

The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1908 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at the office of

JOSEPH H. ENOS, IN ODESSA,
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28th, 1909
From 9.00 A. M. to 12.00 M.

AT HENRY CLEAVER'S STORE, IN PORT PENN,
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28th, 1909
From 1 P. M. to 4 P. M.

and at HIS RESIDENCE on Cass street, Middletown, Del., every Saturday, from 9 A. M., to 4 P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

WALTER BEASTEN,
Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS —OF— Blackbird Hundred!

The taxable residents of Blackbird Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1908 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT BLACKBIRD, WATSON'S STORE
JANUARY 23d, 1908,
From 1 to 3 P. M.

AT FLEMING'S LANDING,
JANUARY 25th, 1908,
From 1 to 3 P. M.

AT DELANEY'S,
(DAVIS' STORE)
JANUARY 25th, 1908,
From 1 to 3 P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

JOHN BEITH,
Collector of Taxes for Blackbird Hundred

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS —OF— APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!

The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1908 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART, IN TOWNSEND, DEL.,
SATURDAYS,
JANUARY 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 1908.
From 1 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY:

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

An abatement of 5 per centum will be allowed on all taxes paid during the month of August.

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Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

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SHERIFF'S SALE.—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Levari Facias to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale at the Court House, on Market Street between Tenth and Eleventh Streets, in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware,

ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1909,
At 10 o'clock, A. M.,

The following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain lot of land with a three story brick dwelling thereon erected, situated in the City of Wilmington, aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the Southerly side of Ninth Street between Orange and Tatnall Streets at the distance of thirty-five feet four inches Southeasterly from Tatnall Street; thence Southerly by land now or formerly of Park Mason and Ann, his wife and parallel with Tatnall Street sixty-four feet three inches to a corner in John Gordon's line; thence with his line Southeasterly and parallel with Ninth Street seventeen feet eight inches to another corner; thence Northeasterly and parallel with the first mentioned line by land formerly of Washington Mason, now of James F. Casperson, sixty-four feet three inches to the aforesaid Southerly side of Ninth Street and thence thereby Westerly seventeen feet eight inches to the place of beginning. Be the contents thereof what they may, with the right and privilege of and subject to a three feet wide alley extending thirty feet back from Ninth Street along the Westerly line of this lot and extending one half of said width on this lot and the other half on the adjoining lot for the use of the owners and occupants of land binding on said alley their heirs and assigns in common forever.

Being the same land and premises which were conveyed in fee simple unto the said James M. Winner and William G. Winner by deed under the hand and seal of Edward G. Cook bearing even date herewith and not yet recorded.

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Boys' and Children's Astra han Reefers, were $3 50 to $5.00, now.....$1.75 to $2.50

Greater Reductions in Ladies' Clothing

A few ladies Coat Suits left, were $12 00 to $15, sizes 34 to 38, now.....$ 7 50
Ladies' and Misses' Winter Sirts, were $3.00 to $6.00, now.....$1.75 to $3.50
$125 Flannelette Wrappers, now 98c 75c
Ladies' eavy Waists, were 50c to $3 00, now 39c to $ 1 50
Ladies' Gloves, were 25c to 75c, now.....18c to 50
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Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m

For Odessa—7.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.30 p. m.

For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a. m. and 4.45 p. m.

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Local News

Fresh and salt meats of the first quality, at W. H. ECHENHOFER'S.

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All our W. B. Corsets will be sold during the whole month of February only, 15 per cent. off of the regular price.
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High-grade dental service. Examination and estimate, free. Dr. J. Allen Johnson, Middletown. 'Phone 18.

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Our muslin underwear sale starts to-day Come see the pretty things, all samples, at one-third of the value. A. FOGEL.

FOR SALE—I have several farms small and large, well located, at reasonable prices, in St. Georges Hundred.
GEO. W. INGRAM.

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Just received about 300 lawn sample waist, all long sleeves, from New York, one-half of their value. A. FOGEL.

Send your items and personal notices into the paper, that is the way to help make it interesting. Just sign your name, we won't publish it, and then the article will be sure of getting in.

FOR SALE.—Partition suitable for office with 5 frosted glass windows and double doors. Apply to
DR. P. R. SMITH.

Our annual last Clearance Sale will start to day and will last all the month of February. See our ad. and then come see our bargains. A. FOGEL.

FOR SALE.—140 egg Cyphers Incubator, as good as new; also 1 Brooder in good condition. $15 will buy both. This Incubator cost $18 new, the Brooder $14.
JOHN J. JOLLS,
Middletown, Del.

Dr. J. C. Stites has removed his dental office to the building recently vacated by the Western Union Telegraph Co., next door to J. L. Shepherd's office.

WANTED.—$2000 and $4000 on first mortgage on farms; unquestionable security. GEO. W. INGRAM.

FOR RENT.—House and Stable, east Main street, now occupied by Edgar B. Vail. G. E. HUKILL.

Our childrens' spring and summer sample dresses are here now. You had better get them now before they are gone. You can buy them for one-third of their value. A. FOGEL.

The Postal Department at Washington has announced that on February 12th a special two-cent stamp bearing the head of Abraham Lincoln will be issued in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of his birth.

We just received a lot of sample directoire gowns, made of duchess satin, black and colors. They are bargains at $25.00 and $30.00. You can get one while they last a $12 50 and $15 00, which don't pay for the making of them, not mentioning the material, which is $2 50 per yard.
A. FOGEL.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending Jan. 82th: Miss Rebecca Boyer, Miss Alvirtia Hinson, (dead letter), Miss Lizor Lum, Mrs. Anna Parr, Mr. S. J. Harris, Mr. Harrie Lightcap, J. H. Rawlins, Mr. William Rothwell, Mr. Will Shroutt, Mr. Clink Wilford.

The "whitewash season" is approaching and a receipt to make whitewash that will not crumble off may be of use to someone who reads this. It is the formula used by Uncle Sam at the various government works. Ten parts fresh slacked lime and one part hydraulic cement. Mix well with salt water and apply thin.

The New Century Club of this town will entertain at luncheon, on Tuesday next, the Executive Board of the Delaware State Federation of Woman's Club, at the home of Mrs. John C. Stites on Main Street. The affair will be in charge of Miss Dora R. Price and the members of her committee. There will be no meeting of the Club that afternoon.

The horse of Mr. W. B. Weldon was frightened on South Broad street yesterday morning and dashed up the street at a lively gait. In front of the grocery store of T. V. Leonhart it collided with the team of Mr. William Cullen and the large delivery to which Mr. Weldon's horse was attached was upset and badly damaged, but the horse was uninjured.

The Delaware State Sunday School Association will hold its regular convention in Smyrna on April 27th and 28th. Arrangements are being made toward perfecting the program, which will include an address by Dr. McElfresh of Chicago, who is the International Superintendent of Teachers' Training for the International Sunday School Association, and efforts will be made to make the coming session the most interesting and instructive convention in the history of the Delaware association.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Liman celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary in New York City, Sunday evening, January 24th. The house was handsomely decorated with palms and cut flowers. The guests were entertained with vocal and instrumental music, and an elaborate supper was served at 10 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Liman received many handsome presents of cut glass and silver. Guests from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Graboyes, of Philadelphia; Miss Sarah Boford, of Atlantic City; Mr. and Mrs. S. Burstan, Mr. and Mrs. A. Fogel and daughter, Dr. M. B. Burstan, of Middletown. After thoroughly enjoying themselves the guests departed at a late hour.

Many persons feel offended because their comings and goings are not mentioned while those of others are, and wonder what the matter can. The explanation of the matter is that the editor means to be impartial, but some escape mention. The likes and dislikes of an editor have nothing to do with it, and while it is not pretended that the editor is more than human he knows that the success of his journal depends on his fairness and impartiality to all. It is the best way always when a notice is desired to mention it to the editor or communicate through the post-office. No one feels worse about any seeming neglect or partial performance of duty than the editor himself.

Coming soon. Guy Bros., Big Elite Minstrels, with grand military spectacular first part, produced by George R. Guy, with new elegant special scenery and electrical effects entitled The Zouaves. It is sunset on the water. The Fort in the distance, lighted up, the bugles are calling, drums beating, band playing, soldiers cheering, everybody happy. The Zouaves are giving a minstrel performance in honor of the Colonel's Birthday; they are in the palace hall. They have eight funny colored men to cheer them up by their actions and sayings. They introduce elegant singing of solos and quartettes, and wind up with a prize dancing contest by ten of the best solo dancers. Don't forget the date, Wednesday, February 3d, 1909.

RECEPTION AT THE MANSE

The reception given last evening by Miss Elizabeth R. Hall and Rev. Francis H. Moore, at the Manse, proved to be one of the most delightful receptions given here in recent years.

The affair was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wynne Moore, of Germantown, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brearley Kennedy, of Trenton, N. J., Miss Moore, of Trenton, and Miss Robb, of Phoenixville, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy are both brides and grooms of the winter, Dr. Moore having performed the marriage ceremony for Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy. Mr. and Mrs. Moore were married at the bride's home in Boston, Mass., where Dr. Moore was an honored guest. A number of dinings and receptions have been given for the young brides, a reception to which five hundred invitations were issued having been given last Wednesday, by Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Moore of Philadelphia.

Miss Moore is a sister of Mrs. Kennedy and they are daughters of Mr. Henry S. Moore of Trenton, N. J. Miss Robb is the fiancee of Mr. William B. Hall, son of Mrs. M. A. Hall, of this town. About three hundred invitations were issued, a number having been sent to relatives and friends of Dr. Moore at a distance.

Bertzberg Orchestra of Philadelphia, furnished music throughout the evening.

The hours were from seven to nine-thirty and the house was crowded during that time.

Dr. Moore's brothers, Mr. Henry Moore of Trenton, Mr. Edward J. Moore and Mr. Samuel Moore of Philadelphia, with their niece, his sisters, Mrs. W. A. Finley and Miss Moore, with Mr. Finley of Philadelphia, and a number of others from a distance were present.

After the reception, a special train took the north-bound guests to their homes.

PLEASANTLY SURPRISED

Mrs. John A. Jolls was given a surprise Thursday night in honor of her fifth wedding anniversary. Mr. Jolls and Mrs. T. V. Leonhart had the affair in charge, and Mrs. Jolls had no suspicion of the party until she saw the assembled guests on her return from Wilmington, where she had been visiting.

About twenty-four guests were present and the evening was very pleasantly spent. The dining-room was beautifully decorated with miniature wedding bells, and pink and green decorations. Refreshments of chicken salad, bread sticks, coffee, ices, fancy cakes, salted nuts and mints were served.

Mrs. Jolls received several beautiful gifts, among them a large cut glass pitcher, cut glass dish and painted salad bowl.

Among the guests present were Mrs. John Armstrong, Mrs. Walter VanSant, Mrs. Elwood Denny, Mrs. Walter Beasten, Mrs. Albert Price, Mrs. Samuel Brockson, Misses Eugenia Beasten, Lena Staats, Lena Pleasanton, May Kumpel, Mary Adkins, Anna Denny, Bessie Foraker, Lottie J. Jolls, Eliza R. Hurn, Louise Echenhofer, Mrs. Percy Golt, Mrs. T. V. Leonhart and others.

DELAWARE COLLEGE

Sixteen members of the board of trustees of Delaware College met at Newark on Tuesday and transacted considerable business. In the absence of Chief Justice Charles B. Lore, president of the board, Dr. George W. Marshall presided President Harter reported that the college now had 185 students—22 seniors, 31 juniors, 58 sophomores, and 68 freshmen.

Harry Hayward, incharge of the agriculture. There are many students and the college farm is in excellent condition.

After the board had considered the question of the removal of the state laboratory to Wilmington it was declared to be the sentiment of the body that it was opposed to such transfer.

R. D. Spring, of Wilmington, was, chosen shop foreman to succeed S. Vaughan Derby, resigned Mr. Derby has secured a position with an electrical motor company in Logansport, Indiana, and wished to leave at once.

One of the important subjects considered was giving to the state a formal deed for one-half of the college property. In effect the state has had a one half interest in the property, but it was deemed advisable to put it on record and in the right way.

THE TAFT CABINET

Rumor from Washington, Tuesday, states that President-elect Taft has completed his cabinet list and that it will comprise the following:

Secretary of State, Philander C. Knox, of Pennsylvania.

Secretary of the Treasury, Myron T. Herrick, of Ohio.

Secretary of War, Luke E. Wright, of Tennessee.

Attorney General, George W. Wickersham, of New York.

Postmaster General, Frank H. Hitchcock, of Massachusetts.

Secretary of the Navy, George Von L. Meyer, of Massachusetts.

Secretary of the Interior, Richard A. Ballinger, of Washington.

Secretary of Agriculture, James Wilson, of Iowa.

Secretary of Commerce and Labor, Charles Nagel, of Missouri.

PERSONALITIES.

Mrs. Charles Derrickson was in Philadelphia last week.

Mr. Thomas Scott, of Lewes, visited his mother in town yesterday.

Mrs. J. R. Hoffecker visited relatives in Chester, Pa., last week.

Mr. Theodore Kumpel, of Philadelphia, is the guest of friends in town.

Miss Blanche Roberts is spending several days with friends at Massey, Md.

Miss Mary Richards spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister near Delaware City.

Mrs. V. L. Culbertson, of Wilmington, visited relatives and friends here this week.

Miss Lillie Aspril, of Wilmington, is spending the week with her aunts, the Misses Jefferson.

Miss Helen Cochran is visiting in Baltimore, Md., the guest of her sister, Mrs. Carl Harrington.

Mr. Herman Wilson, of Philadelphia spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Wilson.

Mr. Grant Rowbotham, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mr. Samuel Price and family on Sunday.

Miss Marion Cochran has returned from Elwyn, Pa., to spend a time with her mother, Mrs. W. R. Cochran.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert A. Comegys, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Comegys.

Mr. James Adkins, of Newark, and Mr. Carl Acker, of Delaware City, were guests of Mr. N. Adkins and family on Sunday.

Misses Eugenia Beasten and Myrtle Houston were guests of Miss Lillian M. Budd, in Wilmington, over last Sunday.

Mr. Joseph Walker has accepted a position with *The Morning News*, Wilmington, and entered upon his new duties Tuesday.

County Commissioner John W. Dayett, of Cooch's, was in town on Thursday afternoon, and paid our office a pleasant call.

'Squire Alfred G. Cox celebrated his seventy-seventh birthday on Tuesday. He was given a dining by his family at his home on Green street.

Mrs. J. Wallace Beasten who has been visiting her sister in Maryland, is now staying at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cochran.

SALES TO TAKE PLACE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 1909.—Public sale of stock, farm implements, &c. by Frederick Knotts at his residence, on the "Appleton Farm," on the road from Odessa to Townsend. Jos. M. Armstrong, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 1909—Public sale of stock, farming implements, &c, by John W. Carrow, Sr., neas Mt. Pleasant. H. V. Buckson, auctioneer.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16th, 1909—Public sale of stock, farming implements, etc., by W. C. Money, Executor, on the Elliot Farm, one mile west of Townsend, Del.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17th, 1909—Public Sale of stock, farming implements, &c., by Jas. T. Shallcross, at his Home place, near McDonough. Jos. M. Armstrong, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18th, 1909.—Public sale of stock, farming implements, etc., by Harry S. Willey, on the John Townsend farm, near Townsend. W. Harman Reynolds, auctioneer.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19th, 1909.—Public sale of Household Goods and Kitchen Furniture by John P. Cochran, Jr,, at his home on the road leading fr om Middle town to Warwick, Md.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24th, 1909.—Public Sale of stock, farming implements, etc., by Manlove D. Wilson on the road leading from Fieldsborough to Noxontown Mills. W. Harman Reynolds, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25th, 1909—Public sale of Stock, farm implements, household goods, &c., by John P. Cochran, Jr., Agt. at his residence, one mile west of Middletown.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3d, 1909.—Public Sale of stock and farming implements, by Martin B. Burris, Trustee for Michael Dignan, at the "Sandy Branch" farm, owned by Nath'l J. Williams, three miles west of Middletown.

TOWNSEND

Mrs. W. Harman Reynolds was in Wilmington on Monday.

Miss Ethel Lee spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. John Morris, of near Smyrna.

Miss Edith Ginn, of Wilmington, is spending a few days with her parents near town.

Mrs. William Barnett, of Middletown, is spending a few days with Mrs. W. A. Scott.

Miss Hanna Ames, of Roxborough, Pa., is the guest of Miss Mary Money, this week.

Mrs. Winfield Lattomus spent from Thursday till Saturday with her mother in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Otho Marvel and son, Baynard, attended the wedding of their cousin, at Dover, on Saturday.

Misses Addie and Eva Alfree, of near town, were the guests of their sister in Odessa, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lee and son, of near Smyrna, spent Wednesday and Thursday with her parents near town.

Mrs. Elva Hart, Mrs. Nellie Money, Misses Mary Money and Hanna Ames spent Wednesday with Mr. George Daniels and family, near Odessa.

HORTICULTURE OFFICERS

The Peninsula Horticultural Society closed its three days session in Wilmington by electing the following officers:

President—W. Irving Walker, Chestertown, Md.

Vice-President—Frank C. Bancroft, Wyoming.

Secretary and Treasurer — Wesley Webb, Dover.

County vice-presidents:

Delaware—New Castle, Daniel W. Corbit; Kent, George M. Fisher; Sussex, James Fredel.

Maryland—Cecil, George Biddle; Kent, James S. Harris; Queen Anne's, H. C. Skipper; Caroline J. W. Kerr; Talbot, Dr. Charles W. Lounes; Dorchester, W. G. Dawson; Wicomico, Roscoe Jones; Worcester, R. C. Peters; Somerset, John W. Hall.

Virginia — Accomac, L. J. Hyslup; Northampton, W. L. Elzey.

Executive Committee—James T. Shallcross, F. C. Bancroft, Orlando Harrison, W. F. Allen.

THE FARMERS' INSTITUTE

Large Crowds Attended the Meetings During the Day and Evening

The Farmer's Institute which was held in McWhorter's Hall on Tuesday, proved to be a very interesting and instructive meeting. The Hall was well filled, not only with farmers and their wives, but a great many town people were present. The Century Club ladies showed their interest by attending each session.

Mr. W. T. Wittman of Allentown, Pa., who was to speak on "Poultry" in the morning was ill and unable to be present, but he came on a late afternoon train and was able to speak in the evening, to the delight of the local poultrymen.

Mr. Frederick Brady presided at the meetings and Mr. J. Allison Cleaver made the address of welcome. The response was made by Col. "Bob" Seeds, of Birmingham, Pa. Hon. R. F. Schwarz of Pennsylvania, spoke on "Market Gardening." One of the principal subjects which Mr. Schwarz handled was the raising of asparagus. A number of questions were asked by the interested audience, all of which were satisfactorily answered by Mr. Schwarz.

Mr. W. F. McSparran, who owned up to being Scotch Irish and proud to say it, spoke on "Growing Feed and How to Feed it."

Mrs. Helen Wells of New York, spoke on "Flower Raising," and created considerable amusement when she advised the women to have their husbands plant hollyhocks around the ugly barns. When told that the hollyhock is the pest of the farmer's life, she suggested the planting of morning-glories. This caused more laughter, as the morning-glory is considered as much of a nuisance as the hollyhock. Mrs. Wells is a sweet-faced woman with a charming personality, and could take the joke on herself in good part.

In the afternoon Mrs. Wells gave a talk on "A Recipe for a Happy Home." Her recipe was Cheerfulness, Justice and Love. She told some reasons why so many homes are gloomy and why so many boys and girls seek companionship outside a home where they may never invite a boy or girl friend. She also told of the unhappiness caused by the husband so often holding the purse strings, while his wife goes to him for ten cents, please. "Where's that ten cents I gave you last week."

Mr. Schwarz spoke on "Economy in Production." He said the women's big hats are a sure sign of prosperity. During Roosevelt's administration the hats have grown bigger and bigger, and during Taft's administration we will probably have to enlarge our doors to accomodate the hats (especially the street car doors.) Mr. Schwarz spoke mostly on fertilizer, and told how so many men are ignorant of the value of farm manure. He thinks the farmers are not properly protected in the buying of their fertilizer. Mr. Schwarz told of his successful venture in buying an abandoned farm in Pennsylvania, for which he paid $300. After several years of hard work and experiment, he now has a valuable property.

Mr. McSparran spoke on "Pork Production in the East." He said he knew the ladies did not want to hear about hogs, although they like sausage and scrapple and lard to fry the crullers.

Col. Seeds, well known as a speaker and humorist, spoke on "The Value of Fertility and the Cheapest Way to Get it." He was very entertaining and instructive.

To accomodate the large crowd, the meeting in the evening was held in the Opera House. After music, Mr. Wittman gave an instructive talk on "Poultry," and those interested in poultry were delighted with his talk.

Mr. Enoch L. Mills, Government Forester, of Pennsylvania, gave a most instructive talk on Forestry. Mr. Mills deplored the reckless waste of trees and advised the owners of land to plant trees each year. He says where there are forests, the land is better and the climate conditions are better. Mr. Mills was here under the auspices of the New Century Club, who had him speak in the Opera House in order that the visitors to the Institute might have the pleasure and privilege of hearing him.

Col. Seeds spoke on "Mistakes in Life Exposed." He kept his audience in a good humor from first to last, and if there is any truth in the old saying "Laugh and grow fat," some of us will have to let out the seams in our frocks and coats.

Each speaker during the day and evening was delightfully entertaining, and the Institute will be remembered as a day of unusual pleasure and profit.

CECILTON

Mr. F. E. Hoover was a Wilmington visitor a few days last week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Knock, of Earleville, has been visiting Mrs. C. Windsor.

Miss Mary Etherington was entertained on Sunday by Miss Mary Blackway.

Mrs. J. D. Boulden is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Wilson, in Philadelphia.

Mr. J. L. Schrack, of Germantown, Pa., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Lusby.

Miss Iona Benson, of Earleville, spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Blanche Padley.

R. J. Smith, wife and children were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith on Friday.

Alexander Jackson, of Wilmington, spent Saturday and Sunday with Harold Padley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones, of near Massey, spent Saturday with Mrs. J. P. McCoy, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. George Boyles, of near Warwick, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith.

Rev. C. Jones, of St. Georges, was entertained several days last week by his brother, Rev. O. Jones.

Mr. William Burton, of Wilmington, and Miss Ella G. DuHadaway, of this place, were quietly married in Wilmington on Thursday evening, January 14th.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Davis entertained Mr. and Mrs. G.Oldham and Mr.and Mrs. John Oldham, of Earleville, and Miss Margaret Oldham, of Philadelphia, on Saturday.

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ODESSA

Mr. Harry Ward spent one day of this week in Baltimore, Md.

Mr. John F. Morris has been spending sometime with relatives in Chester, Pa.

Mrs. John W. Watkins is spending sometime with relatives in Philadelphia.

Skating was much enjoyed by the young folks at Mar Pit, near town, last week.

Mrs. John Heldmyer has returned home from a visit with friends in Philadelphia.

Misses Addie and Eva Alfree, of near Middletown, are visiting their sister, Mrs. Kumpel.

Miss Emma Pennington, of near town, spent Saturday last with friends in Wilmington.

Mr. Fred Kielkoff, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents, John Kielkoff and wife.

Mrs. Kate Gremminger is spending sometime with her daughter, Mrs. George Kumpel, in Riverside, N. J.

Mrs. James Clothier and Mrs. C. Fairbanks, of Wilmington, spent Monday as the guests of Mrs. Mary Morgan.

Mrs. Urie P. Ginn, of near town, is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Amos Merritt and little daughter, of Warwick.

Rev. D. J. Givan, wife and son, Kenneth, spent one day of last week with her mother, Mrs. A. Eaton, at Port Penn.

Mrs. James Melvin has returned to her home in Baltimore, Md., after spending sometime with her mother, Mrs. D. Gilch.

Mrs. Laura Dutton and daughter, Miss Lena, of Middletown, are visiting at the home of her parents, Charles Spicer and wife, near town.

Mrs. Willard E. Spicer and son, Erwin, and mother, Mrs. E. S. Stevens, of near McDonough, spent Wednesday at the home of Mrs. A. Stevens.

We are very glad to state at this writing that Mr. George L. Townsend, who underwent an operation at the Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, on Saturday last, is getting along very nicely, and his many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

The League of Service of Drawyers Presbyterian Church was very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. Harry Ward on Wednesday evening. After the business meeting refreshments, consisting of ice cream, cake and coffee, were served.

The third entertainment in the Brotherhood Course will be postponed from Thursday, February 4th, as advervised, until Monday, February 8th, on which date Dr. George Edward Reed, President of Dickinson College, will lecture on "Enthusiasm and Enthusiasts—Men who make the World." Dr. Reed is a silver tongued orator and himself very much of an enthusiast, and all who come to hear him may be assured of a rare treat and an evening well spent.

A surprise party was given Miss Clara Douglas on Friday evening of last week by her uncle and aunt, Mr. George Reomer and wife, at their home near town, the occasion being her 18th birthday. About 60 guests were present. She received many nice and useful presents, also a number of post cards. The evening was spent in playing games and dancing. At eleven o'clock the guests were invited to the dining-room, where supper was served, and at a late hour all departed for their homes wishing Miss Douglas many happy returns of the day.

WARWICK

Mrs. George Goldsborough is visiting in Baltimore.

Mr. Charles Stearns is visiting near Wilmington.

Mrs. J. L. Lattomus and son are visiting Smyrna relatives.

A number of Warwicktonians were at Elkton on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Price were visitors in town on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Manlove spent Sunday with Mr. Robert Snyder.

Mr. Robert Lipscomb, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his family here.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A., meets each Tuesday at 7.30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Manlove entertained a number of their young friends this week.

Miss S. E. Vinyard is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Joseph Beckman, in Philadelphia.

Messrs. John H. M. Garner and Joseph Sullivan were Wilmington visitors on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boyles were the guests of her mother, a few days of the past week.

Mrs. John F. Ernest, of Sassafras, visited her mother, Mrs. Sallie E. Gunkle, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Eaton entertained Mr. Bayard Jorden, of Marshallton, part of last week.

Little Miss Alice Boyles, of Earleville, Md., is visiting her grandfather, Mr. James Boyles.

The Rev. C. M. Cullom is assisting the Rev. Mr. Strausberg in his revival services at Bayview, Md.

The public road between Warwick and Cecilton has been almost impassable during the past fortnight.

Mrs. S. E. Gunkle and daughter, Mrs. J. R. H. Price, have been guests of Mrs. James Wilson, at Smyrna.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference of the M. P. Church will convene at Sassafras, Saturday, February 20th, 1909.

Messrs. Clifford and Fred Hoover, of Cecilton, were visitors at the home of Mr. L. B. Manlove on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Merritt entertained Misses Clara Blackburn and Kathryn Evans, of Wilmington, on Sunday.

Mr. William T. Vinyard returned from Philadelphia on Monday, where he had been for an operation at the Medico Hospital.

There will be preaching at the M. P. Church Sunday at 10.30 o'clock, followed by Holy Communion and decision services. Preaching at 7.30 o'clock. All are cordially invited to be present.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. B. FOARD.

Wheat—No. 1	$1.00	Corn—No. 2	
Timothy Seed	$2.35	Yellow, shelled	62
Clover Seed	.11½	" cob	65
		Oats	62

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE.

Eggs, per doz	30@32
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Lard, per lb	11@14
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NOTICE!

I, JOHN C. CARROL, tenant and occupier of the house known as the National Hotel, situated at Middletown, in School Districts No. 60, 60½ and 94, county of New Castle and State of Delaware, in compliance with the requirements of the General Assembly in such cases made and provided, do hereby give notice that I shall apply in writing to the Court of General Sessions of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle County, on Monday, the 1st day of March, A. D., 1909, being the next term of said Court, for a license for said house as an inn or tavern for the sale therein of intoxicating liquors in quantities less than one quart, to be drunk on the premises, and the following respectable citizens of said School District, at least six of whom are substantial freeholders of said School District, recommend the said application, viz:

C. P. Cochran, W. S. Letherbury, W. A. Comegys, John P. McIntyre, Alex. Maxwell, Joshua Clayton, Jr., Geo. W. Peterson, N. J. Williams, C. G. Cann, Geo. Echenhofer, Cyrus Tatman, W. B. Biggs, Harry Eliason, Corbit Vinyard, Theo. Whitlock, Geo. W. Price, H. W. Richards, Joseph Gary, his Patrick x O'Neal, mark witness to O'Neal, H. W. Richards, S. Edward Lewis, Harry M. Black, L. V. Kirk, Julian Cochran, Freeman Morgan, J. L. Parsons.

JOHN C. CARROLL.

Middletown, Del. Jan. 27th, 1909.

SALE! SALE!

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AFTER the Holidays business slows down—trade goes asleep—clerks fold their arms and drouse, for there is nothing doing in most of the stores. All their stock from this season they carry over for next year. But not in this store our motto is: "Never to Carry Goods Over From One Season to Another, no Matter What the Loss May Be." In order to make things hum in our store in dull times, we go over our stock and reduce every piece of goods from 1-3 to 1-2 its regular price.

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Saturd'y, Jan. 30

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Ladies' and Misses' Skirts	3.50 to 8.00	1.98 to 3.98
Ladies' Waists, (all kinds)	.50 to 8.00	.39 to 3.98
Children's Dresses, "	.25 to 5.00	.19 to 2.00
Ladies' Wrappers, "	.98 to 1.25	all at .75
Dressing Flan'elette "	.49	all at .39
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The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT. clear of Taxes, payable to the Stockholders on and after January 15th, 1909.

JOHN S. CROUCH, Cashier.

NOTICE—DIVIDEND!

NEW CASTLE COUNTY NATIONAL BANK OF ODESSA, DEL., Jan. 6th, 1909.

The Directors have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of THREE AND ONE-HALF (3½) PER CENT. clear of Taxes, payable on and after the 13th inst.

JOS. L. GIBSON, Cashier.

NOTICE—DIVIDEND!

THE PEOPLES' NATIONAL BANK, OF MIDDLETOWN,
Middletown, Del., Dec. 26th, 1907.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT. for the last six months, payable on and after January 1st, 1909.

G. D. KELLEY, Cashier.

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A. FOGEL,

Middletown, Delaware.

Notice to Stockholders

—OF—

American Liquidating Company!

You are hereby notified that on January 4th, 1909, in conformity with Section 39 of the General Corporation Law of Delaware, the following resolution was adopted by a majority of the whole Board of Directors of this Company.

Resolved, That it is deemed advisable in the judgment of the Board of Directors of the AMERICAN LIQUIDATING COMPANY and most for the benefit of said corporation, that said corporation should be dissolved; and further

Resolved, That a meeting of the stockholders of said corporation be called for the eighth day of February, 1909, at eleven o'clock A. M., to be held at the office of this corporation, at No. 29 Broadway, room 168, in the city of New York, state of New York, to take action upon the foregoing resolution.

And you are hereby notified to be present at said meeting.

AMERICAN LIQUIDATING CO.
By Charles H. Leach,
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A FOOTBALL STORY

BY W. R. ROSE

The coach was on the side line.

He was watching the practice, bent forward in his characteristic attitude, with his large hands slowly caressing his knees.

He looked across his shoulder at Trainer Ryan.

He's a gritty little cub, he said, and a clever booter, but he hits his line like a tack hammer.

The big trainer nodded.

He needs beef, he growled.

They were watching Bob Crawford, the scrub fullback.

That lean and rangy youngster had just fallen back for a punt. A moment later the coach elbowed the big trainer.

Terry, he said, the boy is better than Nesbit. I'll try him on the 'varsity to-morrow.

The left halfback of the regulars dodged and squirmed through the scrubs and carried the ball back to their ten yard line. Here he was prettily tackled by Crawford and the two players went down together. It was a hard fall and Crawford, stunned and winded, had to be helped to his feet and then from the field, his knees wobbling and his head drooping.

He's too light, growled the big trainer.

However, the coach had his way, after the fashion of coaches, and Bob Crawford became the 'varsity fullback. Seasoned by experience and refined by mishaps, he had done his lean and lanky best to advance the glory of old Harwood, and so, when Thanksgiving day brought the great game of the year, it found him ready to enter the contest and stay as long as he could last.

His clever punting had been a material factor in the unbroken string of victories scored by the Harwood eleven, although "Happy Bob" was invariably carried off the field before the game was finished. He hadn't the physique to stand the rough scrimmages, and in only two contests did he enter the second half. But he was up and smiling the day after a laying out, and that's why he was "Happy Bob."

Good nature was a dominant quality in "Happy Bob's" make up and it was well known throughout Harwood that you couldn't get him mad.

The game with Chase was always the big contest of the year, and as the records for the previous annual matches showed five victories for each college there was possibly even more than the usual interest this year.

Chase had a stonewall line and a fine set of plunging backs, but there wasn't a real punter on the team. On the other hand Harwood was light and agressive, depending upon the speed of her halfbacks and the booting of her fullback to make up for the lack of beef and brawn. This sharp contrast between the teams promised to make the struggle unusually interesting

I size it up this way, said Coach Belden to Trainer Ryan the morning of the contest, If we're to score, it will be in the first half. I'm afraid those Chase hunks of beef will exhaust our spiders long before the game is over, so we must play 'em off their feet at the very start.

Going to use Crawford? asked the trainer.

Going to start him We'll need his punting. Of course I'm afraid he can't last. I've heard some nasty rumors about putting him out, and one good scrimmage may do the business.

He's too light! was the only comment.

The assembling of the greatest crowd of the year; the efforts of the rival rooters to outdo each other's vocal efforts; the vociferous greetings extended to the athletic heroes as they trotted onto the gridiron; the preliminary warming up and the expectant waiting for the first kick off, were all very much after the usual fashion.

Bob Crawford's father and mother were in the grand stand and so was a pretty girl with Harwood colors, who showed favoritism by answering "Bob Crawford" to the query "Who's all right?" and neglecting to respond when the other players were cheered. And it was quickly rumored that the pretty girl wasn't Bob's sister, either.

In front of this trio was a group of Harwood seniors busily discussing the outlook.

Crawford's punting is going to be a big factor, said the one with the huge rattle, and mother, father and pretty girl smiled proudly.

Yes, put in the one with the tin horn, but mark my words, there'll be some rough work on the part of those big line men and "Happy Bob" will be carried off for repairs.

The father scowled, the mother paled and the pretty girl bit her lower lip.

The whistle blew. The twenty-two regulars hurried into their positions and the scrubs sorrowly backed to the side lines.

It was Chase's ball. The big fullback waited for the referee's signal and then kicked the oval down the field. The Harwood left half caught it on the five-yard line and ran back ten yards before being downed. An end run was tried with no gain, and a line buck resulted in a loss. It was evident that Chase's line was as strong as reported. The quarterback signaled for a punt and Crawford fell back.

He caught the ball, and, seemingly with little effort, sent it low and swift over nine of the white chalk lines. A prolonged cheer came from the Harwood rooters.

Chase made three first downs by mighty plunges but fumbled before getting dangerously near the Harwood goal. Then, after two ineffectual attempts at running with the ball, the signal was given for another punt and again Crawford drove the twisting pigskin far down the field. This was followed by a series of scrimmages, in all of which the weight and strength of the Chase eleven told on their light but gritty opponents. Finally Harwood held and took the ball on downs. Again she was forced to punt and again the little fullback's effort made a considerable gain.

So it was that the ball seesawed up and down the field throughout the half. The Chase plunging backs would succeed by steady bucking in making short but consistent gains, and then when the ball passed to Harwood, one of the Crawford's efforts would offset all the hard work of the opponents.

Following the captain's instructions, Crawford held back from the scrimmages.

If he's knocked out, we're lost, sure, said the coach.

Shortly before the call of time Harwood secured the ball on her fifteen yard line after a gallant stand. It was too near the goal to be comfortable and a punt was ordered.

The ball was passed swiftly back, but almost as swift were the Chase ends, who succeeded in breaking through. Crawford kicked and the ball shot by the onrushing ends. The whistle blew and the half was saved.

The two ends failed to block the punt, but they crashed into Crawford and the three went down in a heap.

The mighty cheer that greeted the punt stopped short when it was seen that the plucky little fullback had been bowled over. The ends jumped to their feet, but not Crawford, and his fellow players quickly grouped about him.

There were loud calls of "foul" from the Harwood stands and jeers and hisses for the ends.

I'm afraid it's all up, admitted the coach to Trainer Ryan as they trotted toward the injured player.

He was too light, growled the trainer, but it was dirty work hat put him out.

I told you he wouldn't last, cried the senior with the tin horn.

Behind him the father of the wounded player scowled fiercely; the mother grew paler and the pretty girl bit her lower lip until it was much redder.

I guess I had better go to him, said the anxious mother.

May I go with you? asked the pretty girl.

You'll both stay here, was the firm observation of the father, Bob's no mollycoddle.

In the meantime, the clever young doctor, who had been chosen team physician, had them bring Crawford to his office adjoining the gymnasium. Several of the scrubs carried the unconscious player and laid him gently upon a couch. They hurried from the room to join the regulars and hear final instructions, and the doctor made a hasty examination of his patient.

Um m m, winded and exhausted, he muttered. I'll revive him.

He placed a cap over Crawford's face and started to administer oxygen.

There was something mixed with the oxygen—something that was the young professor-doctor's secret. It was the mixture that had so often roused him before daylight and set him to work in the big laboratory. He hoped great things of it in the operating room. But just at present he was grasping for its effect in the dark as it were.

He had at least discovered that it was effective in quickly bringing back to consciousness injured athletes.

Suddenly there was a quick knock at the door. The doctor answered it. The assistant coach was there.

Come over to the gym a minute, doctor, and have a look at Randall's knee, he said, it seems pretty bad.

The doctor glanced at Crawford.

Must be back in three minutes, he muttered.

The knee required a bandage, and Morten's ear a patch.

How's Crawford? asked the coach.

Good Heavens! cried the doctor. He snatched out his watch and started on a run toward the office.

He entered hurriedly and slammed the door behind him.

There on the sofa was Crawford sitting up and staring about vacantly.

They had no right to jump on me, he was muttering. But my kick wasn't blocked. I wonder if Jennie will come up for the game? Maybe mother and father will be here. It's less than a week off now.

He rubbed his staring eyes.

Then he saw the doctor.

Hullo, doc, he cried. Say, do you think they'll let me play Thanksgiving day—honest now?

Yes, yes, replied the doctor soothingly. There, there, you must take a little nap.

The player obediently dropped back on the couch. At that moment the Harwood eleven was entering the field and a terrific yell greeted them.

Crawford jumped to his feet, his eyes blazing.

What's that, he cried. You're fooling me, doc. They're on the field. They're calling for me.

He sprang to his feet.

You're too weak, protested the doctor.

Too weak! I'll show you. He grasped the doctor and, lifting him from his feet flung him into a corner. Then he opened the door, dashed through and made for the field. His appearance was greeted with tumultuous applause. The teams were taking their positions. Nesbit was in Crawford's place.

Crawford ran out upon the field At the same moment the doctor reached the enclosure.

Crawford glared at Nesbit. Then, without warning, he rushed at the unsuspecting substitute, seized him around the thighs and jugged him to the side lines.

The referee blew his whistle.

You can play, called the amazed captain, and Crawford took his position.

What do you make of it? whispered the coach.

He's out of his head, said the trainer. No telling what he'll do. We'd better get him out.

I thought you said he wouldn't last, laughed the senior with the big rattle.

I'll take it back, replied the one with the horn.

It was Harwood's ball on her own fifteen-yard line. Both halfbacks had tried end runs and each had failed to gain.

Steady there—4 21-17-2! cried the quarterback and Crawford dropped back for a punt.

Block that kick! shouted the Chase adherants.

Hold 'em! came from the Harwood crowd.

The ball had passed back and then a strange thing happened. Crawford caught the sphere and the Harwood line held beautifully. There was plenty of time for a punt, but the fullback held the ball and started at the men in front of his.

Punt! cried his teammates.

Punt! shrieked the crowd.

He didn't seem to hear. Two of the Chase men broke through the line and rushed toward the dazed fullback. That awakened him. But, instead of kicking he ran.

It was easy to dodge the first man, for he was coming too fast to change direction. The second man dived and caught Crawford's left leg, but the fullback shook him off. Then he started down the field. Head first he dashed into the next Chase man who stood in his way and the man went down. On he flew, seemingly gaining speed and strength with every stride. Crash! He threw himself at another tackler and again his way was cleared. The fierceness of his assaults made the plunges of the Chase backs tame by comparison. On he went until the giant fullback stood between him and the goal. Crawford might have dodged but he didn't. He went straight at his opponent and down they went together and over they rolled.

The ball was downed on the Chase ten-yard-line.

There had been no cheering during the run. It was so unexpected and spectacular that the great audience stood still in very amazement. But when the ball was finally downed a cheer was given that made up for lost time.

The question, What's the matter with Crawford! was strongly put by the leader of the yelling, and the response, He's all right! proved a unanimous vote.

The boy's father proudly looked across the gridiron at the young hero, the pale mother smiled, and the pretty girl, her cheeks redder than ever, contributed her mite to the cheering.

The Harwood quarterback started a signal.

Stop! cried Crawford.

The quarterback looked around and saw the fullback approaching.

I'll carry the ball, muttered the latter.

There was a peculiar fierceness about his expression that awed the quarter, although the plunging backs of the Chase team inspired no terror in his stout young heart.

I'll carry the ball, repeated Crawford, menacingly.

And Crawford carried the ball.

He struck the line like a battering ram, and, pushed by his teammates, forced the Chase men back, back until he toppled over the goal line with the first score of the day!

Had all the intermittent cheering that had gone before been rolled into one big roar it couldn't have been noiser than the shout that followed the touchdown.

All Harwood was made with joy. That is, almost all Harwood. The young doctor who had administered the strange gas that awoke Bob Crawford from unconsciousness was standing near the goal posts, very pale. He never took his eyes from his heroic patient.

He must wear it out, he muttered to himself. He'll go crazy if he doesn't. Five minutes, and it should have been three! What a dose!

The coach turned to the trainer with a broad smile.

The boy's all right, he said.

He's all wrong, growled the trainer. Why, there ain't another man on the field can do what he's doing. He took his physical tests last Saturday and he was the weakest man on the team. Just now he bowled over that giant fullback as if he was straw and then rushed through the line of husky blacksmiths and curled it up like so much tissue paper. I tell you something's wrong.

You were afraid that the game was too rough for Bob, said the senior Crawford. Why, he's the roughest player on the field.

He's much stronger than he used to be, rejoined the proud mother.

He's grand! whispered the pretty girl to herself.

The players had unraveled themselves after the scrimmage and were awaiting Crawford's try for goal. Bob had risen rather slowly from the ground with the aid of two fellow players; he seemed dizzy and his legs were a trifle unsteady. The captain noticed his strange expression and the other players knew that he wasn't himself. The quarterback sprawled on the ground and held the ball tightly in position for the goal kick. Ten yards away Bob stood apparently gauging the direction. Suddenly he yawned—a strange thing at such a critical moment. Then he stretched both arms and yawned again; rubbed his hand slowly across his forehead and without further ado sank to the grond and lay stretched out at full length.

The young doctor was at his side in a moment.

Here! he called to the scrubs, and a few seconds later Bob was being carried to the doctor's office.

There were Who's all right? and He's all right! until the young hero disappeared, but he didn't hear them.

The coach shook his head.

Too light to last, muttered the trainer.

The trio of personally interested spectators in the stand said little, but thought hard.

Nesbit took Crawford's place and the game proceeded. It wasn't much of a contest from now on. Chase lost its fighting spirit when scored against and, with Crawford out, Harwood hadn't a ground gainer. And so it was that the game ended, without further points on either side.

In the meantime the young doctor found his patient had worn out the strangely stimulating effect of his reviver and was sleeping soundly, with heart normal, apparently none the worse for the day, save for bruises and fatigue.

What was it, doc? the trainer asked that night.

What? asked the doctor.

Come, now, you know you gave the boy a dose of something.

The young doctor laughed.

Maybe it was an overdose, he said.

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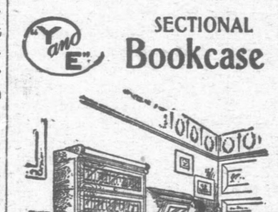

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